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Finding ways to improve our schools
A group of parents and other concerned citizens meet the first Tuesday of each month to discuss ways to improve our local schools.

The Parent Education Group will meet again on Aug. 3 at 5 p.m. at the Western Palm Beach County Mental Health Clinic, 3021 N.W. Avenue D, Belle Glade.

For more information call the Glades Community Development Corporation at 992-8500.

School registration at Belle Glade Elementary

Belle Glade Elementary School will be holding registration for the 1999-2000 school year for all students on Monday, Aug. 2-10 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday, August 11 and 12 from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m., and again on Wednesday, Aug. 13 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All students registered prior to August 16 will be eligible for a special drawing.

Vacation Bible School

Canal Point United Methodist Church, located on Second Street in Canal Point, will be hosting Vacation Bible School for the kids in Canal Point and Pahokee. Titled *The Ultimate Adventure with Jesus* the event will be held Aug. 2-6 from 6 to 8 p.m. and is open to children ages two to 12.

For more information call the church at 924-7325.

Businesses invited to seminar on tax-free holiday

The Florida Department of Revenue is hosting a series of free educational seminars around the state during July for merchants who want guidance in selling clothing and certain accessories that will be exempt from state and local sales tax during nine days starting July 31.

The seminar will be offered in Belle Glade on Friday, July 23 at 1 p.m. at Belle Glade City Hall in Conference Room B.

Mentoring program offered by G.E.L.'s

The Glades Ebonyque Ladies Club (G.E.L.'s) will begin a community-based mentoring support group for girls in grades 6-8 and ages 10-14 who reside in the Glades area.

Club involvement is targeted to address school attendance, track and assist with academic progress, self-respect and self-esteem, grooming, community involvement, future career exploration and awareness and short and long-term goals.

Events and activities will be

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Officials say prison guards killed death row inmate Frank Valdes

By Debra Miller
Staff Reporter

Death row inmate Frank Valdes will not face the electric chair for the killing of Glades Correctional Institution guard Fred Griffis, because officials say he was killed by guards at the Florida State Prison in Stark.

According to an autopsy performed last week, evidence

showed that Valdes died from injuries sustained when nine guards struggled with him when he refused to allow a search of his cell.

Investigators from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement were called in to investigate the death of Valdes after an ambulance was called to the state prison on Saturday, July 17.

According to the Bradford County Sheriff's Office, paramedics were called to the prison to treat Valdes, who had stopped breathing.

According to reports, when Valdes refused to allow guards to handcuff him, he was sprayed with pepper spray several times but still refused to cooperate with the guards. An extraction team was then

brought in. After the struggle between the guards and Valdes ended, he was taken to the prison infirmary for a medical exam. He sustained boot marks and had several broken ribs.

However officials are saying he was beaten to death by the guards.

The State of Florida has called in the FBI to investigate the case.

Florida Department of Law Enforcement Commissioner James Moore said his office will investigate other violations in the state prison system.

Valdes, along with William Van Poyck, killed Griffis, a decorated Vietnam vet who had just started at the prison, when he and another guard volunt-

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Summertime Fun...



Pahokee Firefighter Christopher Christmas demonstrates how to shoot water out of the hose to little Jesus Rodriguez at New Hope Charities.

Little Jesus Rodriguez along with the other summer campers at New Hope Charities, got a chance to see just how firefighters use the truck hose to put out fires during a demonstration by the Pahokee Fire Rescue last Friday.

Firefighter Christopher Christmas and Ken Lippard visited the children at New Hope allowing them to get a close up view of all of the equipment along with a demonstration by Lippard, who donned his bunker gear in the 90 degree temperatures.

"If you wake up in the middle of the night and see this person, do not be afraid, he is here to save your life," said Firefighter Christmas.

The firefighters handed out fire safety booklets along with hats and badges and told the children the importance of knowing what to do when your home is on fire.

...And Work



FIRE TRAINING Every month Belle Glade Fire Rescue holds two training classes for the community members. These sessions are designed to help educate the volunteers in fire fighting techniques. Monday, July 26, some of the newest volunteers were placed in an actual structure fire to learn the many characteristics of fire. However, the Belle Glade Volunteer Firefighters do so much more for this community. Last year, they donated over \$15,000 to different educational programs. The Black Gold Jubilee is a fund-raising event that the Belle Glade Fire Rescue and the Jr. Fire Marshal's Newsletter, printed monthly, are just a few of the ways they support the community. If anyone is interested in becoming a volunteer, call Chief Stephen Rice at 924-3522.

Photo courtesy of Belle Glade Fire Rescue

No charges to be filed against man accused of rape

By Debra Miller
Staff Reporter

There will be no justice for 12-year-old Maria Christina Urieta, even though her father, Martin Urieta was arrested for raping her.

Because of her untimely death in a car accident on Saturday, July 17, her father walked out of the Palm Beach County Stockade Friday after persuading a judge to sentence him to five years probation in the sexual assault of his daughter.

His only excuse - neither she nor her mother are "alive" to testify against him.

Before their deaths, he was facing life in prison for the heinous crime.

What was ironic about the death of Maria was that her and her mother, Dubeisa and little brother Obed were on their way to visit Urieta in jail when Dubeisa lost control of her vehicle and plunged into a canal on State Rd. 80 in Belle Glade, killing all three.

In April, Maria told her mother and the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office that her father had raped her when she was 11 years old in the back of a Chevrolet Suburban in front of their home in Loxahatchee.

Urieta still may face deportation back to Mexico.

Water and sewer rates to go up in Belle Glade

By Brenda Bunting
Editor

Residents who were complaining last year at city commission meetings about their water and sewer bills will not be happy to learn the rates will go up by 24.3 percent next year as the city begins paying an \$810,000 annual debt on a loan they took to expand the wastewater treatment plant and deep-well injection system.

City commissioners debated the increase last year and agreed it was a "must do" situation that would not be very popular, but would be necessary this year.

The city had planned to make the increases gradually over four years with a 7 percent increase in 1997, a 15 percent increase in 1998 and a 20 percent increase in 1999.

Instead, the city adopted no rate increase in 1997 nor in 1998 and made a 12 percent increase for 1999 and a 24.3 percent increase for the year 2000.

The city's proposed budget for 1999-2000 is \$8.7 million with no changes in services but

sample off a paper towel that was brought to them by Mrs. Urieta. The paper towel had been used by Maria to clean herself after the assault. Lab results did confirm that the DNA matched a blood sample supplied by the father.

However with the death of Maria and her mother, everything changed.

According to Circuit Judge Marvin Mounts and the State Attorney's Office, without the mother and daughter's testimony, the case depended on circumstantial evidence and taped statements by the daughter that might not be admissible in court.

Urieta was then offered a plea bargain in which he pled no contest to lewd assault of a child under 16. A determination of guilt will be withheld unless Urieta violates his five years probation. His probation also includes he have no unsupervised contact with children.

He also must submit blood samples so his DNA can be archived by the state and have a psychologist evaluate him within 30 days. Urieta must also complete a sex offender treatment program and be restricted from owning pornographic material.

Urieta still may face deportation back to Mexico.

allowing the city to add one crossing guard at Okeechobee Center and a proposed 2 percent cost-of-living increase for city employees.

The city has also budgeted \$114,300 to make road improvements to Southeast First Street and another \$55,500 for road improvements to Southeast Avenue F.

Under the proposed millage rate will be the same as last year at \$8.98 per \$1,000 of taxable property. But due to rising property values, there is a 4.88 percent increase over the rolled back rate of 8.5622.

A home valued at \$75,000 with a \$25,000 homestead exemption will pay \$449 in property taxes.

City Manager W. Shelton Smith said there will be a hearing on the proposed budget on September 9 at 5:01 p.m. and on Aug. 23 there will be a hearing on a proposed storm-water utility fee which may be more than double what residents paid last year.



HAVANA AIR GREET'S LOBBYIST—Rob Tiller of the Havana Connection greeted Damon Smith, a lobbyist from Tallahassee who he is hoping will help him convince Palm Beach County Commissioners to let his company take over the running of Pahokey Airport. He plans to bring at least two companies into the airport that could employ as many as 500 people. Pictured are Pahokey City Manager Ken Schenck, Flora Todd, Damon Smith and Rob Tiller.

Havana Air wants to take over Pahokey Airport

Rob Tiller of Havana Air hopes to bring hundreds of local jobs to the area if he is allowed to take over running the Pahokey Airport.

But first he must get the contract from Palm Beach County. "Mr. Tiller has been addressing the Pahokey City Commission during their regular sessions, letting the commissioners and residents know about his plans to bring several businesses to the airport."

Business which include a company that manufactures three different kinds of jets and a company that wants to build a power plant that burns trash and creates electricity. These two companies combined could generate as many as 500 new jobs in the Glades.

Several weeks ago Mr. Tiller opened an office at the airport introducing his company, The Havana Connection. An operation that is one of only seven companies that is allowed to fly into Cuba.

According to Mr. Tiller the company is already licensed and has the permits needed to operate.

The two million dollar airplane, which arrived several weeks ago has a world class capacity and is one of the safest airplanes in the country.

It has the capability to carry ambulance people and emergency services. According to Mr. Tiller they have permission from the Treasury, State Department and Commerce Department in writing to do direct flights to Havana.

Mr. Tiller told the commission he is working on getting a customs office opened at the airport and wants the airport to become a duty free and a foreign trade zone.

"I have contacted the authorities in Palm Beach County and they have given us a subzone for \$6500," said Mr. Tiller.

Another idea of Mr. Tiller's is to lease a section of the airport to farmers.

"This is happening in airports across the country and is very successful," said Mr. Tiller.

The city recently gave Mr. Tiller a letter of support in his efforts to make changes at the airport.

Also in an effort to lobby his cause he has called on Republican top lobbyist Damon Smith.

Mr. Smith is well known for helping to get Lawton Chiles elected as Governor and was instrumental in setting up the Walkin Lawton campaign.

He has also lobbied for or against such things as the Florida Lotto, City Corp and the state inspection.

After a brief meeting last week at Pahokey Airport with Pahokey City Manager Ken Schenck, Mr. and Mrs. Tiller and Mr. Smith headed to Naples to meet with investors who are interested in building at the airport.

The Palm Beach County Commission will have the final say on the contract. Currently the airport is being run by Skydive America who also has big plans including building a 43 slot recreational vehicle park with showers and laundry facilities, offices for skydiving operations, a swimming pool, restaurant, bar and a new hangar.

Boys & Girls Club holds renewal registration

Once again it is time for parents to renew their children's membership to the Glades Boys and Girls Clubs.

Renewal registration will begin on Monday, August 2 through Friday, August 13 from 7:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. at the Belle Glade Teen Club located next to Lake Shore Civic Center.

Parents must fill out a color coded application form and be prepared for a 30 minute wait when the applications are brought in. All membership forms must be presented by an adult to verify the information.

The fee is \$10 per child. Parents are to make all checks payable to the Glades Boys & Girls Clubs. Any and all outstanding debts such as bad checks or session fees must be paid before membership applications will be accepted.

Open registration to fill remaining slots after the renewal period will take place at the Teen Club from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. on the following dates:

Monday, Aug. 16 Rosenwald Elementary Club.

Tuesday, Aug. 17 at the Teen Club and at Canal Point

Elementary cafeteria.

Wednesday, Aug. 18 Pioneer Park Club.

Please call 992-5399 before attending open registration to see if slots are available.

You may only renew your membership for the program your child or children participated in last year.

For example if your child was enrolled in Before Care only then you may only renew for Before Care during the renewal period.

Anyone with questions may call 992-5399.

People Committee starts a Parent Drive

The People Committee, better known as Parents Education Group of the Glades, held a conference at New Baptist Church to inform the community about the quality of education being provided in the Glades Area.

The Committee is sponsored by Vision to Action and Glades Community Development Corporation.

Lisa Carmona, an attorney from Florida Rural Legal Services spoke on the many problems minority students are facing in the school system. She informed Glades area citizens on the effect of out-of-school

children and the fact that minority children are under-represented in gifted programs.

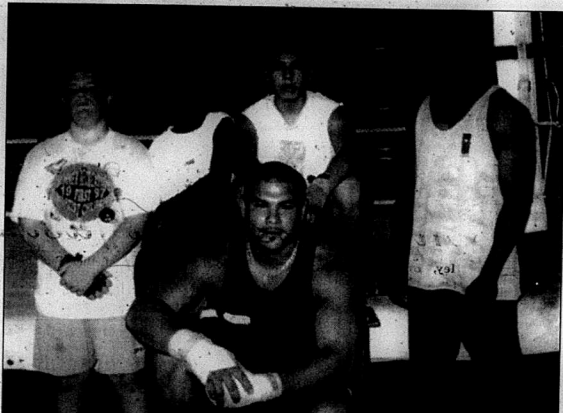
It is the dream of all parents that their children receive a good education so they can grow up to be successful. Ms. Carmona told parents. She concluded that parents must get involved with their children's education in order to see a positive change.

According to members of the Committee, Ms. Carmona's message is so important to the community that she has agreed to return on Saturday, Sept. 18. The Committee believes that

The Committee believes that since the minority in the Glades, then a majority of children are being deprived of the quality of education that every child is entitled to.

The Parents' Group of the Glades invites everyone to join them on the first Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. at the Western County Mental Health to help them work toward improving education.

Anyone requiring more information may call Tracy Posey at Glades Community Development at 992-9500, and leave a message.



WORLD CHAMPIONS OF THE WORLD—Lake O Boxing Gym is sponsoring a Main Event Boxing Match in September. Look for these local stars to participate. Pictured Left to Right: Jared Young, Lavenski Williams, Carlos Florez and Guillermo Perez. Front: Florida State Champion Nelson Lopez Jr.

Lake O Boxing Gym making a difference in Pahokey

Nelson Lopez's vision of getting the kids off the streets of Pahokey and into a free boxing gym is coming to light for him.

When Mr. Lopez opened Lake O Boxing Gym, he wanted it to be a place for kids, a place to get them off the streets in the afternoon and a place where they could come and talk about their problems or to work out their frustrations.

"We have had kids come in here that have had a lot of problems in school," said Mr. Lopez. "Some were being picked on by other students or had very low self-esteem and very failing in school."

Coring here has helped them to change that. It is amazing to see a failing student come here and after a few months his grades go up. I am very proud of

the kids I see come through here."

Mr. Lopez, a boxing coach and Karate instructor for over 30 years, began his gym about four years ago and with the help of the City of Pahokey has been able to keep his gym going.

He was included in Juvenile Justice grant funds because teens who have been in trouble with the law are allowed to do community service at the gym.

"I put them to work, cleaning inside and out in hopes that they become involved with working out," said Mr. Lopez. "A lot of these kids are street kids and they think they are 'bad.' They soon realize that we can show them what 'bad' really is. It doesn't take long until you see the teen have a change in his attitude."

Mr. Lopez also received money from a Facade Improvement Fund which helped him to fix up his current building located at 300 B. First Street.

The gym is free to local teens but they must maintain a "C" average in school to be able to attend.

Another thing Mr. Lopez is very proud of is his son Nelson Lopez Jr. who is currently enrolled at Nova University Medical School. He is also the Florida State Champion in amateur boxing.

A Main Event Boxing Match is also being planned for Saturday, Sept. 11 at the old Pahokey High School Gym.

Nelson Lopez Jr. will be the main event match. Several other boxers from the gym will also be included in the event.

School Board approves extended day

The Palm, Beach County School Board unanimously approved an extended-day program that would provide 30 additional minutes in the school day at local schools.

The program, which started last year, has turned out to be very successful according to local principals.

The extra time will allow teachers to concentrate on social studies and science classes the students now lack.

At South Bay's Rosenwald

Elementary, the extra half-hour spent on history and science lessons even though the emphasis is still on reading and writing skills.

According to principal Barbara Terembes the test scores of the students have improved this year, up 1 percent in reading and 7 percent in math on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test.

Other schools in the extended day program include, Belle

Glade, Glade View, Gove Elementary schools as well as two other schools on the coast.

The cost for the six schools will be an estimated \$942,000.

"The School Board also voted unanimously to spend an additional \$528,500 for video surveillance cameras at several middle and high schools."

Glades Central High is included. The total cost for the video surveillance will be \$925,000.

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Soybeans may just be 'good for what ails you'



Katrina Elsen
Contributing
Editor

Soybeans are one of nature's wonders. More and more research indicates that soy is "basically good for what ails you."

And the soybeans are so versatile. They can be eaten roasted, like peanuts. They can be turned into soy milk, tofu, soy flour or soy protein burgers. You can even use soy to make something that looks and tastes a lot like ice cream.

Soy is high in protein, low in fat and free of cholesterol (of course!).

This fall, the Food and Drug Administration is expected to allow the marketers of soy products to advertise the health benefits of their foods, including the role soy products may have in reducing heart disease.

To meet the Food and Drug Administration criteria for carrying the "healthy soy" claim in advertising, a soy food must meet the following requirements per serving:

- 6.25 grams soy protein or more
- Low fat (less than or equal to 3 grams)
- Low saturated fat (less than 1 gram)
- Low cholesterol (less than or equal to 20 mg)
- Low sodium (less than or equal to 480 mg for individual foods)

It seems like every time I pick up a medical or health magazine or newsletter, I see more studies pointing out just how healthy soybeans are.

A recent study by Dr. Mark Jordinson of the Imperial College School of Medicine in London, England, found that soybean lectin may limit the growth of colon cancer.

Previous students have indicated that a diet high in soy products may

help protect against colon cancer. This new study indicates that a protein found in soy foods may reduce the spread of existing colon cancer.

People all over the world are finding out about the health benefits of soy. According to the Australian News Network, teenagers in Tasmania will be tested to see if soyfoods help improve levels of HDL (the good cholesterol) and help prevent heart disease. Teenage boys there seem to suffer from a drop in HDL levels and researchers believe it may be diet related. Research in Japan, where soy products such as tofu are widely consumed as a regular part of the diet, shows teenage boys there do not suffer from low HDL levels.

My thanks to the Indiana Soybean Board for some of the information used in this column.

Every time I write about soy, readers ask me for recipes and tips on how to prepare it.

The Indiana Soybean Board also provided the following information on cooking with miso (soybean paste.)

Make it with Miso!

By Kim Galeaz, RD
Nutrition Consultant to the Indiana Soybean Board

Although not very familiar to Americans, miso is considered by many to be the very essence of Japanese cooking. So, if you are looking for a little fun with a special soyfood this summer, read on.

What Miso is and how to use it

Miso (pronounced MEE-soh) is a very salty, fermented soybean paste. The texture is much like a thick hummus or soy nut butter and is made by fermenting whole soybeans with a mold culture or starter. Other ingredients are added, including

salt, water, and a grain, usually rice or barley. It is sold in 8-ounce to 1-pound tubs (plastic containers like margarine). Since it must always be refrigerated, you will find it in the refrigerator case in Asian, health and natural food stores. Some larger supermarkets with ethnic or health food sections may carry it also.

Miso is most widely used as a soup base. Miso soup is a simple yet tasty delicacy, and many Japanese families start their day with a bowl of miso soup. It is also used to flavor a variety of foods, including tofu, dressings and sauces, marinades, and to saute mushrooms, eggplant and other Japanese vegetables. Since it is a very salty condiment and flavoring, a little goes a long way.

Miso is also used to add flavor to sauces, stews, marinades and dressings. When cooking miso, it can be heated quite hot, but should never reach a boil, which may destroy some of the benefits of this fermented product.

There are many different types of miso, which can have a variety of colors, aromas and flavor intensities. You will find red, yellow and white misos in the store, and they will vary from strong to mild to mellow in taste. Some are mixed with rice, others with barley. Some contain sea salt. The best way to describe all of them is earthy and full bodied.

Because miso is fermented, it must be refrigerated. High quality misos will not be pasteurized or have preservatives, making refrigeration even more critical. (Look for "unpasteurized" on the label.) Refrigerated, miso will last for several months. If a white mold appears on the top or outside of miso, simply scrape it off. Remember, miso IS MADE with a mold! Prices vary, depending on manufacturer. Two different varieties priced recently were \$3.99 and \$6.99 for a 1-pound tub, which may be a little steep, but remember a lit-

tle bit goes a long way in adding flavor.

Nutrition Details

As a general rule of thumb, containers of miso will show the serving size as 15 grams, which is 1 tablespoon. Miso contains 10 to 22 percent protein, but that equates to only 1 to 2 grams in a 1 tablespoon serving. Miso contains only a small amount of isoflavones.

Here is a typical miso nutrition profile:

1. 1 tablespoon (15 grams) provides: 25-35 calories, 1 gram fat, 0 saturated fat, 470-850 mg sodium, less than 1 gram fiber, 3-7 g carbohydrate, 1-2 g protein, and a very small amount of iron and B Vitamins.

Five Fast Ways to Start Using Miso

1. Make Miso Soup... plain with vegetables or cubes of tofu to boost the protein!
2. Whip up some Miso Salad Dressing.
3. Add a little miso to barbecue sauce for grilling meats, poultry, tofu and tempeh.
4. Add miso to any favorite marinade recipe.
5. Saute mushrooms or onions in oil, honey and a tablespoon or two of miso and serve as a side dish.

Miso Recipes

Start with the basics: Miso Soup and Miso Salad Dressing. If you really want to be an expert miso cook, get a copy of "The Book Of Miso" by William Shurtleff and Akiko Aoyagi.

Miso Soup

8 cups canned or homemade vegetable broth/stock
8 ounces mellow white or yellow miso (roughly 1 cup)
6 ounces firm tofu, cut into small cubes

4 green onions, sliced
Bring the vegetable broth to a boil. Reduce heat to simmer. Add the yellow miso and stir until heated through, but do not bring to a boil.

Pour into individual bowls and divide the tofu cubes among the bowls. Top with sliced green onions. Serve immediately.

Makes about 6 bowls, about 1-1/2 cups soup each.

Nutrition facts per serving: 180 calories, 8.5 g protein, 5 g fat (25% fat), 0 saturated fat, 25 g carbohydrate, 2 g dietary fiber, 1554 mg sodium.

Miso Salad Dressing

2 tablespoons miso
1/2 cup water
1/4 cup soy oil*
3 tablespoons rice vinegar
1 tablespoon honey
1/4 teaspoon dry mustard
Stir miso and water together until smooth! Add remaining ingredients and stir until they are blended. Serve over salads or vegetables.

Makes about 3/4 cup or 6 servings of 2 tablespoons each.
Nutrition facts for 2 tablespoons: 104 calories, 0.75 g protein, 5 g fat (79 percent), 1 g saturated fat, 5 g carbohydrate, 0 mg cholesterol, 210 mg sodium, 0 g dietary fiber.

Miso Spread

This spread is great as a dressing for hot vegetables, over potatoes or thin it with a little water and use as a sauce for rice.

4 Tablespoons white wine
4 Tablespoons maple syrup
4 Tablespoons minced onion
Combine all ingredients and mix thoroughly. Keep in refrigerator. Makes about 1 cup or 4 servings of 4 tablespoons each.

Nutrition Facts per serving: 97 calories, 2 g protein, 18 g carbohydrate, 1 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 630 mg sodium, 1 g dietary fiber.

ER Chronicles: I'm just waiting on my husband



Arlen R.
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"Hey, Bud, what's wrong?" Diane asked her husband.

In their 16 years together, she knew that a scowl like that meant something was wrong. "I got this belly ache," Bud rubbed across his abdomen with both hands, then he sighed. "It started a little last night, but it feels worse this afternoon."

He scowled again, and then winced as a wave of pain filled his upper body.

"Bud, you don't look too good. Maybe we should go get you checked."

Bud was a stubborn man, and a single suggestion like this one from his wife was not enough to send him to the hospital. But, after a few more episodes of this pain, which was getting harder and deeper each time, Bud was finally convinced. He was quite pale as Diane drove him to the ER.

"Honestly, Bud, I don't understand why you wait until you're half dead before you ask for help." But Diane had waited on her husband before, and she knew this would not be the last time she waited on him to make up his mind.

The ER was hopping again this afternoon. All of the beds were filled. An assortment of moans, coughs, and baby cries could be heard as Bud walked toward the nurse's desk. Bill was the nurse in triage again, and motioned to Bud to sit down in his chair.

"I'm a nurse. What kind of trouble are you having today?"

Bud pointed at his upper abdomen, then understated, "It's been hurting here a little."

"He's been in pain for two days, and it's a lot worse today." The frustration showed on her face.

As Bill was applying the blood pressure cuff to Bud's arm, he began a series of questions. He asked about the location and character of the pain,

and about whether Bud had any other symptoms besides this pain. He wanted to know about nausea, fever, or any chest symptoms.

"Come with me." Bill motioned, and Bud got up to follow. "But you'd better stay out here for now," he said to Diane, "Because there's really no bed for Bud here. I'm just gonna stick him on this hallway bed for now so we can get things started. We'll come back and get you in a few minutes."

Diane frowned, then reluctantly turned back to the waiting room. She sat down in the only remaining seat, next to an elderly woman who rocked slowly forward and back on her chair. Diane nodded at the old woman, who smiled briefly but then looked silently sad.

Meanwhile, Bud took his place on the hallway stretcher, happy to be able to lie down. He couldn't have stood up much longer. A few minutes later, another nurse pushed his bed into a regular ER room, and the emergency physician hurried in.

"Hi, I'm Dr. Cortez." She shook hands with Bud.

In rapid succession, Tammy Cortez fired off many of the same questions that Bill had asked at the triage desk earlier. She also inquired about prior surgeries, and any past history of any abdominal or chest problems. She asked about the amount of alcohol that Bud consumed.

"Tell me if any of these areas are sore to touch." Cortez systematically probed each area of Bud's abdomen, flanks, back, and chest. Bud rolled onto his side for the rectal exam, and the test for any traces of blood in his bowel.

"Yeah, a little bit there," Bud said as Cortez pushed into his upper abdomen.

"We're going to need to do a few tests, Bud. There are many causes of pains like you're having. We'll start with some blood and urine tests."

An ER technician was already standing at Bud's bedside, and had his needle and blood tubes ready. Cortez hurried out, calling out orders as

she went.

In the waiting room, Diane tried to strike up a conversation with the old rocking lady, but she was not very talkative.

"I'm just waiting on my husband," was all the elderly woman would say.

"Me, too."

Now, nurse Bill was standing at the end of the row of chairs, and he motioned to Diane. She followed him, stepping across the feet of the old lady.

At Bud's bedside, Diane asked, "What did they say?"

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We don't want their dirt in our area, although most of the people who live outside our area don't have to have their cars tested they come through here and also work in our county.

I am a poor, hardworking, 55-year-old man. Soon, I am going to have to move to one of the counties that doesn't have emission testing. This county has a way of putting their hand in your pocket and telling you what you must do.

I put my 1992 Ford through emission testing every year. It costs me \$10, plus \$275 for a mechanic to fix it. Plus, you lose part of a day of work just to go take the test.

I pay \$56 every year for tags in Palm Beach County. In other counties including Hendry County, the cost is only \$46 and they don't require the emission testing. That's a big difference."

Where's the security?

"I'm calling about Osceola Center on Avenue L. About a year ago they used to have an officer checking things in a golf cart. I want to know what happened to that police officer. He did a very good job while he was there."

Now that they do not have anyone policing the area there have been cars broken into, houses broken into.

What happened to the officer and why isn't the service there anymore? We're paying here because the consequences are that our stuff is being stolen, our windows getting broken.

We need someone out there to ride around and check everything out.

I hope The Sun can find an answer for me and I hope there is a good reason for this. Thank you."

Leave them alone

"This is in response to your recent Speak Out about dangerous prisoners being released. I just read this and I disagree."

I think any man or woman, black or white, should not have their rights rejected once they are freed.

I think just because a person has been incarcerated, once they are released it is not right to post their pictures up around the nation.

If it were you on the other side, how would you feel? I know, maybe you're saying 'It would never be me, I don't commit crimes.' Have you ever heard the saying, 'Don't count your chickens before they are hatched'?"

You say you want to help your community out by watching them. All you are doing is stalking them, harassing them, creating a hostile environment for them."

By helping your community you might be taking a thief and turning him into a murderer."

In praise of South Bay PD

"I want to praise the South Bay Police Department. They have treated me very well every time I have ever needed them."

Sometimes my neighbors call the police on me because of my problems. The police don't come out armed and dangerous. They don't handcuff me and drag me down to the jail, they talk to me and treat me very nice."

I am a mental patient. I have had problems for many years. I have lived here for over 35 years but when I have a problem, my neighbors come out and stare just like it was a car wreck. People don't understand mental illness. I might do odd things, but I'm not a violent person."

I'd like to especially thank the police department for installing a ramp at my house. My neighbors had previously built me

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Letters to the Editor

10-20-Life hasn't hit home yet, especially in Pahokee

Dear Editor:

Apparently the people around the Glades area are not taking the 10-20-Life law seriously. If they were then there wouldn't be a mother sitting at home grieving over the shooting death of her son, and there wouldn't be a man in the Palm Beach County Jail accused of murder."

I know this may sound crazy coming from a person who is convicted of murder, but what's even crazier is that you all have failed to learn from my mistake.

I wish so many times that this law would have been in effect when I lost my brother, my best friend and also the young lady I am accused of killing. This law is not for law abiding citizens, it's for those of you who have chosen the wrong life and that's exactly what you are going to get if you injure or kill someone's life.

When will the killing stop?

Derry Brown

Glades Correctional Institution

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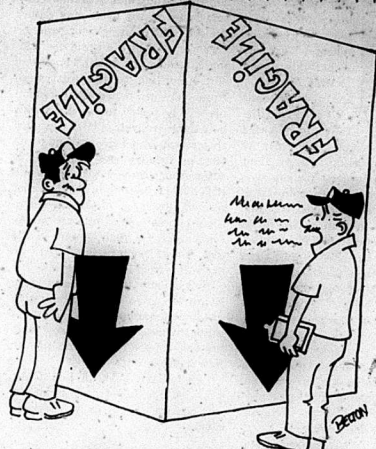
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"IT SAYS, HEY STUPID, IF YOU CAN READ THIS YOU HAVE THE CRATE UPSIDE DOWN."

Rabies risk in livestock low, despite wildlife cases

By Chris Eversole

University of Florida News
With rabies menacing Florida raccoons and other wildlife, dairy farmers, ranchers and horse owners are asking whether they should give rabies shots to their animals.

Vaccinations aren't essential, two University of Florida veterinarians said.

"We're not seeing enough cases of rabies in livestock and horses to justify widespread vaccinations," said UF veterinarian Paul Nicoletti, who serves on the Florida Department of Health's Rabies Advisory Committee.

While the risk is small, owners of prized cattle and horses may want to have them vaccinated to be totally safe, said Thomas Lane, extension veter-

erianarian for UF's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences. "The cost of rabies shots is low compared to the cost of losing a valuable animal and the trouble and worry if you suspect an animal has contracted rabies."

Only one confirmed case of rabies in cattle and two cases in horses were reported in Florida last year. In contrast, 153 cases of rabies in raccoons - 71 percent of the 215 cases in the state, were found, according to the State Department of Health.

Other wildlife accounted for all but 18 of the rabies cases in Florida. The 18 cases included 13 cats and two dogs.

Things are different elsewhere because the animals that rabies hits the hardest

vary from state to state.

In the Midwest, skunks are a major carrier of the disease and pose a threat to cattle. In Iowa, for example, skunks accounted for 70 cases - 58 percent of the state's 153 total cases - last year.

Skunks sometimes transmit rabies to Iowa cattle by biting them, said Russ Currier, the state's public health veterinarian. Last year, 22 Iowa cattle tested positive for rabies, compared to the single infected cow in Florida.

Only two skunks tested positive for rabies in Florida last year. "We're lucky that skunks aren't a major rabies carrier here," said Nicoletti, who is a professor in UF's College of

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Does anyone care about sexual exploitation?

By Nancy White
Family First

You may find this hard to believe, but there was a time when teenage sex was the exception, not the rule. Of course, today, teen sex proudly stands fists on hips, smack in the middle of the public consciousness. In soap operas it's a plot line. On MTV it's a "Real World," real life, bi-sexual story line. And in teen magazines it's a talking point and a selling point.

YM's August cover teases, "Passion Pointers from a crazy-in-Love Couple." Jane magazine's latest is the, "Sex Obsessed" issue. And for a seamless segue from prom to promiscuity, there's Cosmo Girl from a new magazine for those too young for the worldly ways of Cosmopolitan.

It seems that just about every form of printed and spoken word is pushing the edge of the "sex sells" envelope at the expense of our young people. Sure, teens are curious about sex, that's one thing that hasn't changed. What has changed is the way adults - who used to look out for the best interest of children - are either surrendering to the sexual tidal wave or making a buck off it.

Does anyone care what this resignation and exploitation does to girls and boys developing their sexual selves? "Censors and concerned parents, try to stop us," the promoters seem to say. "We're just giving the public what it wants."

And when a sex-demeaning teen movie like American Pie stampedes at the box office you have to wonder, "Maybe this is what the public wants." Well, it may be what it wants, but is it what it needs? Has enough good come out of the current teen-sex-acceptance mind set to warrant continuing down this path? If indeed the numbers (not the box office numbers) don't lie, the answer would have to be, "no."

Every year in the United States, three million teenagers get a sexually transmitted disease. That fact alone is terrifying when you also consider that one fifth of the people newly diagnosed with AIDS are in their 20s, and most of them were infected as teens.

Even with easily accessible birth control, one million teenage girls will become mothers this year. And let's say contraception was one hundred percent effective and teens used it: one hundred percent of the time, even if you could take

away the obvious physical consequences of sex, as the old song goes, "How can you mend a broken heart?"

A 14-year-old girl in the August Jump magazine reflects on her decision to have sex. "...I got very depressed. I wasn't ready on any level and I got caught up in keeping my boyfriend happy."

She then asks other teenage girls (in a cynical tone earned the hard way), "How are you going to feel after the breakup (which will happen)? How many more guys will you give your body to? Those guys are gone from your life...but you will always be with your body, your mind, and your heart."

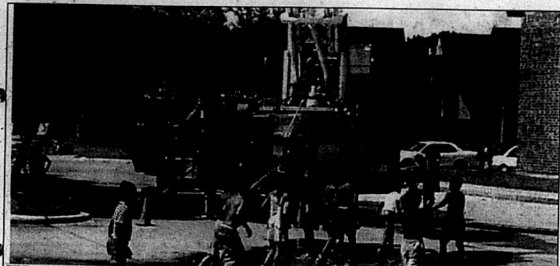
Realizations like hers are why we must tell teenagers sex is not a shortcut to intimacy or being loved, and it's rarely as glamorous and fallout-free as the sexual encounters seen on television or in movies.

We need to teach them about all of the physical risks associated with sex. How many teens know condoms do not offer protection from every sexually transmitted disease, including HPV, the virus that causes genital warts and has been linked to cervical cancer? And a study from the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston finds "safe sex" is a myth. The report shows condoms only decrease the chance of contracting HIV, they do not always prevent infection.

When it comes to sex, teenagers have the idealism of youth, as should be expected. So it's up to responsible adults to educate and protect them from the culture's current dangerous, flip-pant take on adolescent sex. Let's put aside personal crusades, political agendas, and the possibility of fast money and truly look out for the best interest of the child.

As the Spanish philosopher Jose Ortega Y Gasset said, "Order is not a pleasure which is imposed on society from without, but an equilibrium which is set up from within."

We must regain order in the sexual realm. If we don't, aside from the misery measured in statistics, we'll have to deal with the adolescent casualties of broken hearts, broken spirits, and yes, broken bodies. We'll also have to be prepared to hear more world-weary 14-year-olds say of their first sexual encounter, "...it was the saddest moment of my life."



SPRAY ME DOWN—Belle Glade's Fire Rescue personnel were on hand at the second annual Fun Day for Glades Glen families on Saturday, June 24. They helped the kids stay cool by spraying them with the fire hoses.

Photo courtesy of Belle Glade Fire Rescue

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a ramp, but it eventually rotted out.

Lt. Robert Grande and other police officers were very helpful and so were Lt. Kenny Cole, Todd Larson and Poncho Garcia who donated their time after they got off work to help build the ramp. Also, Steve Weeks with Seminole Supply donated the material to make the ramp.

I appreciate what they did for me and my wife.

People from the city also came out, and painted my house and I appreciate that deep down.

Now the county is going to come out and build a nice concrete ramp for us and do other things to beautify my house."

She can't believe what she saw

"I'm calling about something

I saw that is really bothering me."

There is a trailer park between Belle Glade and Pahokee out by the old skating rink.

The other evening I saw two teenage boys carrying trash across the road from there and throw it out on the shoulder of the road.

I just don't understand that. I think that is outrageous. There is more trash there today. If anyone knows what can be done about this I would sure like to know.

Thank you."

Nothing to read

"Hi, my name's Randy. I can't believe that your paper didn't have anything worth reading this week except the front page.

Fifty-three cents for two articles. You all need to tighten up there."

Thank you."

Editor's response: Gee, Randy, why don't you tell us what you really think!

I believe if you count, there were four very newsworthy stories on the front page, plus a lot of local news on the inside pages.

We encourage our readers to give us feedback on how we're doing, but it would help if you were more specific. What kind of news and articles would you like to see that you feel we aren't offering?

The summer months are notoriously slow and we are always looking for story ideas. Any Glades resident who would like to let us know of news happening in their church, sorority, any sporting activities, etc., is encouraged to call us at 995-4404.

Thank you for Speaking Out."

CRIME STOPPERS



Melissa Ann Moore

Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc., is asking citizens to help locate **Melissa Ann Moore** who is wanted for violation of probation on charges of felony petty theft and robbery.

Moore is a black female, 5'9" tall, and weighs 145 pounds. She has black hair and brown eyes and a scar on her left arm.

Her date of birth is June 2, 1979.

Her last known address was

2100 N.W. First Street, Boynton Beach. Her Social Security number is 262-91-2665 and her last occupation is unknown. Her warrant was active as of July 20, 1999.

If you know the whereabouts of Melissa Ann Moore, or any other involved in a serious crime, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-458-9477. You can remain anonymous and still receive a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest.

Arrest Blotters

Editor's note: The police news on this page lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

BELLE GLADE

The Belle Glade Police Department handled 608 complaints and gave 22 traffic citations the week of July 19-25.

Those arrested included:

July 19 - **James Brown**, 42, failure to appear on charges of trespassing after warning; **Walford Gordon**, 31, felony domestic battery; **Jemell Hester**, 28, domestic battery and aggravated battery with a deadly weapon; **Markesha Gordon**, 25, warrant for felony larceny; **Arthur Lee Washington**, 28, domestic battery and possession of marijuana under 20 grams.

July 20 - **Yolanda Brown**, 26, battery; **July 21 - Evelina Harrell**, 37, contempt of court on charges of disorderly intoxication.

July 22 - **Courtney Woods**, 18, possession of alcohol by a person under 21; **Ileste Elisee**, 41, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon; **George Watson**, 38, no recovery license and no recovery identification card.

July 23 - **Frederick Harris**, 41, battery on a law enforcement officer and battery on a medical care provider; **Juvenile**, 15, retail theft; **Juvenile**, 14, retail theft; **Either Gonzalez**, 31, battery; **James Spear**, 30, domestic battery; **Maxine Boyce**, 35, battery.

July 24 - **Shonette Brown**, 23, failure to appear on charges of criminal mischief; **Lesley Bous**, 22, aggravated domestic battery; **Perrell Bother**, 20, battery on a law enforcement officer.

July 25 - **Fulisha Campbell**, 19, grand theft auto; **Tilana Gentry**, 27, aggravated battery; **Cassandra Simmons**, 41, throwing a deadly missile into an occupied dwelling.

PAHOKEE

The Pahokee Police Department made 13 arrests, handled 189 calls and issued 7 traffic citations the week of July 19-25.

Those arrested included:

July 19 - **Annette Jenkins**, 24, aggravated assault.

July 20 - **Brenda Jean Hill**, 38, felony retail theft; **Juvenile**, 17, grand theft auto.

July 21 - **Charlie McKelton**, 41, obstructing and opposing a police officer and possession of drug paraphernalia.

July 22 - **Rudienia L. Clay**, 25, aggravated domestic assault and felony battery; **Elliot Boone**, 42, trespassing after warning and loitering.

July 23 - **Sydney McKelton**, 29, battery on a pregnant female; **Waymond McClenden**, 41, two counts of burglary, grand theft and criminal mischief.

July 24 - **Eltonya Hickman**, 28, warrant for failure to appear; **Early Reddick**, 34, felony stalking, discharging a firearm from a vehicle, felony criminal mischief and domestic battery.

July 25 - **Ralph D. Jones**, 32, possession of cocaine; **Steven Brown**, 41, possession of cocaine; **Charlie McKelton**, 41, corruption by threat to a police officer and possession of drug paraphernalia.

SOUTH BAY

The South Bay Police Department made 14 arrests the week of July 18-24.

Those arrested included:

July 18 - **Willie Dennard**, 37, possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia; **Willie Freeman**, 39, possession of cocaine and possession of drug paraphernalia; **Marvin Walker**, 39, possession of drug paraphernalia; **Clayborne Davis**, 53, possession of cocaine; **Marvin Walker**, 39, warrant for violation of probation on charges of driving without a license and possession of marijuana under 20 grams; **Andy Logan Anderson**, 28, warrant for failure to comply.

July 19 - No arrests made.

July 20 - **Nasedra Kewon Lumpkin**, 23, dealing in stolen property, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, obstruction, failure to sign a summons, resisting arrest without violence and possession of marijuana under 20 grams; **McArthur L. Glaze**, 25, warrant for throwing a deadly missile into an occupied vehicle.

July 21 - **Juveniles**, 12 and 15, burglary to a structure, resisting arrest without violence and petty theft.

July 22 - **Juvenile**, 12, aggravated assault; **Juvenile**, 13, warrant for order of commitment; **Manuel Washington**, 24, obstruction.

July 23 - No arrests made.

July 24 - No arrests made.

Phones for hearing loss

Special telephones to assist hard-of-hearing persons will be demonstrated at a free workshop on August 13. Included will be telephones with volume controls and audible, vibrating or flashing "ringers."

The session will review useful items such as smoke detectors and bby car alarms that give a visual warning. Changes in cell phones, coming as a result of last week's FCC announcement, will also be explained.

The two-hour workshop begins at 10 a.m. in West Palm Beach. To reserve a seat, call

the Deaf Service Center either in West Palm Beach (802-3353) or in Delray Beach (278-6444). The workshop is open to both the hearing impaired or to friends and family who want to help.

Some of the specialized listening equipment is loaned free of charge for as long as the client has a need for it. The Deaf Service Center of Palm Beach County is a regional distribution center for that program. The center handles certification of applications, distribution of equipment, training, and maintenance assistance. To be eligible, one must show

verification of hearing loss or speech impairment and proof of permanent Florida residency. Telephones are distributed by appointment only.

The Deaf Service Center of Palm Beach County offers other on-going programs, including sign language interpreters, a parent support network, children's programs, client assistance, and classes in sign language and lip-reading. Established in 1984, the Deaf Service Center is a member agency of the United Way of Palm Beach County and the Palm Beach Community Chest.

Belle Glade and Pahokee Elks Lodges help shape national policy

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks visited the home state of former member Harry S. Truman last week to "give hell" to some of the problems confronting our nation and our youth.

The Elks, whose National Convention was the 135th in their history, were represented locally by Pahokee Elks Lodge Number 1638 and Belle Glade Elks Lodge Number 1716.

The Elks met in Kansas City to help shape the programs and policies of the National Order, which currently boasts almost 1.2 million members nationwide.

The Elks have a long tradition of philanthropic service, sponsoring youth athletic and drug education programs, aid for people with disabilities, college scholarships, cancer and transplantation research, and

veterans' service programs. The Elks have also made significant commitments through America's Promise, an organization committed to providing fundamental resources to our nation's youth.

Throughout the convention, the 2,200 local lodges were hailed for their support of the Order's national programs, as well as for their own local programs.

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Veterinary Medicine. "Raccoons live natively in swampy areas and skunk enter pastures, but seldom roam the countryside."

Despite the low risk of rabies in Florida, farmers and ranchers should be careful in examining dairy cows, beef cattle and horses that become ill, said Carol Lehtola, the state agricultural safety specialist for UF's Cooperative Extension Service.

"Wear gloves when examining animals," she said. "A rabid animal's saliva could get on your hands. You potentially could become infected if you then rubbed your eyes or mouth or if the saliva got into an open wound."

Lehtola also warned against befriending wildlife. "Be suspicious of any wild animal that comes near you or your home," she said. "If it seems easy to approach, it may be disoriented by rabies. The best bet is to call animal control personnel to check on it."

UF researchers and state officials are keeping an eye on the state's growing coyote population because the wild critters have a history of transmitting rabies to dogs and other pets in the Southwest.

Coyotes have been found in every Florida county except for Monroe County, which includes the Florida Keys. "I fear that, sooner or later, we're going to have rabies in coyotes in Florida," Nicoletti said.

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WINSTON CUP	BUSCH	TRUCKS
1. Dale Jarrett, 3,014	Matt Kenseth, 2,785	Jack Sprague, 2,479
2. Mark Martin, 2,760	Dale Earnhardt Jr., 2,762	Greg Biffle, 2,390
3. Bobby Labonte, 2,731	Jeff Green, 2,674	Stacy Compton, 2,297
4. Jeff Burton, 2,659	Todd Bodine, 2,508	Dennis Setzer, 2,283
5. Tony Stewart, 2,565	Elton Sawyer, 2,439	Jay Sauter, 2,295
6. Jeff Gordon, 2,522	Jeff Purvis, 2,312	Ron Hornaday, 2,244
7. Dale Earnhardt, 2,467	Jason Keller, 2,271	Andy Houston, 2,237
8. Terry Labonte, 2,248	Mike McLaughlin, 2,221	Mike Wallace, 2,189
9. Mike Skinner, 2,241	Dave Blaney, 2,147	Jimmy Hensley, 2,137
10. Rusty Wallace, 2,199	Randy LaJoie, 2,146	Kevin Harvick, 2,003

TOP TEN

■ Weekly rankings by NASCAR This Week writer Kevin Ellis. Last week's ranking is in parentheses.

- (1) Dale Jarrett Keeps adding points
- (4) Bobby Labonte Wins second at Pocono
- (5) Mark Martin Driving through pain
- (6) Tony Stewart Knocking on door for win
- (2) Jeff Burton 36th last week
- (4) Jeff Gordon Fifth DNF of season
- (7) Dale Earnhardt Five straight top-10s
- (-) Terry Labonte Eighth in points
- (-) Mike Skinner Won pole last week
- (8) Rusty Wallace Best of rest

FROM LAST WEEK

WINSTON CUP
 Bobby Labonte, driving a Pontiac, dominated the last 27 laps of the Pennsylvania 500 to sweep the two races at Pocono this year, the first time that's been done since 1986. Dale Jarrett and Mark Martin, both in Fords, finished in second and third-place, respectively.

BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL
 Last year's rookie of the year, Andy Santerre, got his first Grand National victory. Santerre held off Tim Fendwa by less than a second to win.

1999 WINSTON CUP SCHEDULE

Aug. 7	Indianapolis Motor Speedway	Speedway, Ind.
Aug. 15	Watkins Glen International	Watkins Glen, N.Y.
Aug. 22	Michigan Speedway	Brookline, Mich.
Aug. 28	Bristol Motor Speedway	Bristol, Tenn.
Sept. 5	Darlington Raceway	Darlington, S.C.
Sept. 11	Richmond International Raceway	Richmond, Va.
Sept. 19	New Hampshire International Speedway	London, N.H.
Sept. 26	Dover Downs International Speedway	Dover, Del.
Oct. 3	Martinsville Speedway	Martinsville, Va.
Oct. 10	Charlotte Motor Speedway	Concord, N.C.
Oct. 17	Talladega Superspeedway	Talladega, Ala.
Oct. 24	North Carolina Speedway	Rockingham, N.C.
Nov. 7	Phoenix International Raceway	Avondale, Ariz.
Nov. 14	Miami-Bradford Motorsports Complex	Hialeah, Fla.
Nov. 21	Atlanta Motor Speedway	Hampton, Ga.

FEUD OF THE WEEK

Bill Elliott vs. Jerry Nadeau

Elliott was in third place in Sunday's Pennsylvania 500 when he got tangled up with Nadeau, putting him out of the race.

NASCAR This Week's Kevin Ellis gives his opinion:
 "Nadeau was at fault in this one and later apologized to Elliott. Nadeau was in a wreck involving Kenny Wallace a few laps later."

AROUND THE GARAGE

Pontiac working its way up the NASCAR ranks

By Kevin Ellis
 NASCAR This Week
 LONG POND, Pa. — Pontiac has done for NASCAR what Jesse Ventura has done for politics — put a third party into the mix.

Consider this, Pontiac scored just 23 top-10 finishes after 18 races in 1998. At the same point this year, Pontiac has 52 top-10 finishes, compared to 24 for Chevrolet. Ford has dominated with 48 of 90 possible top-fives.

Two Pontiac drivers — Bobby Labonte and teammate Tony Stewart — also have themselves in the top 10 in the Winston Cup point standings. However, Pocono and Pontiac have not mixed well this decade. Before Sunday, in the 19 Winston Cup races here in the 1990s, Pontiac had scored just nine top-five finishes out of

100 possible chances. In Sunday's Pennsylvania 500, Pontiac had two top-fives.

"The teams are getting better and the manufacturer is stronger," Labonte said.

Labonte swept both races at Pocono this year, the first time that has been done since 1986. Labonte's win in the Pocono 500 in June was the first Pontiac victory at the Pennsylvania speedway since Kyle Petty won the 1993 Pocono 500.

LINE OF THE WEEK

Some fans of the little old lady persuasion have apparently gotten on Dale Jarrett over the words he had with Jeff Gordon following the Loudon race.

Jarrett took exception to the way Gordon banged around him at the end of the race and let

him know about it. TV cameras were rolling as two of the sport's big names and nicer guys jawed at each other.

"I've gotten letters about how mad (Ned) and them didn't do that and jump out, whenever they beat and banged, but I'll inform the people that they did plenty of that, there just weren't any cameras around to catch it then," Jarrett said.

PROVISIONAL WOES:
 Darrel Waltrip stood on his qualifying time Friday thinking it would be good enough to get him in the race. Big mistake.

The veteran driver was forced to use his sixth provisional starting position of the year and will not get another open pass until after completing the 24th qualifying attempt in Darlington.

BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL

Coming up: Carquest Parts 250
Where: Gateway International Raceway, Madison, Ill. (1.25-mile track), 200 laps/250 miles
When: Saturday, July 31
Defending champion: Dale Earnhardt Jr.
Qualifying record: Shane

Hall, Chevrolet, 132.361 mph, Oct. 16, 1998

Race record: Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 104.566 mph, Oct. 17, 1998

Notable: Elliott Sadler won the inaugural edition of this event in 1997. ... Chevrolet swept the first four finishing spots last year.

CRAFTSMAN TRUCK SERIES

Coming up: Pennzoil/VIP Discount Auto 200
Where: New Hampshire International Speedway, Loudon (1.058-mile track), 200 laps/211.6 miles
When: Sunday, Aug. 1
Defending champion: Andy Houston

Qualifying record: Mike Wallace, Chevrolet, 128.994 mph, Aug. 1, 1998

Race record: Andy Houston, Chevrolet, 104.222 mph, Aug. 3, 1998

Notable: Ron Hornaday and Jay Sauter have also won races here. ... Mike Skinner and Jack Sprague have won poles, in addition to Wallace.

PROFILE

Matt Kenseth



Matt Kenseth, right, chats with Randy LaJoie.

By Monte Dutton
 NASCAR This Week

Matt Kenseth, currently engaged in weekly battles with Dale Earnhardt Jr. in NASCAR's Busch Grand National division, will continue that rivalry next year when he joins Earnhardt as a Winston Cup rookie.

Kenseth is a protégé of Mark Martin, who will own the Roush Racing-tooled Ford. Kenseth will drive next year, Martin was instrumental in Kenseth signing a personal-services contract with the Roush organization in 1998. With Busch Grand National owner Robbie Reiser as his crew chief, Kenseth hopes to make the field at the Michigan Cup race on Aug. 22 and compete in four other races this fall.

AGE: 27
HOMETOWN: Born and raised in Cambridge, Wis.; lives in Denver, N.C.

MARITAL STATUS: Single
CAR: Busch Grand National No. 17 DeWalt Chevrolet Monte Carlo, owned by Robbie Reiser

RECORD: Winston Cup: 1 start, 0 wins, 0 poles, 0 top-five finishes, 1 top-10, more than \$42,000 in career earnings (earned \$991,965 in 1998 as BGN driver)

FIRSTS: Start (Sept. 20, 1998, at Dover), pole (none), win (none)

HAVE YOU TALKED WITH DALE EARNHARDT JR. ABOUT WINSTON CUP?

"Not really too much. They have a lot of the same people working. But on the other hand, they've got another Winston Cup team in the same shop, and they have Steve Hmiel over there kind of watching over both things. They've got a bunch of people over there doing it, and they've been working on this a little bit longer, too. We just got our first car last week at the shop. It's gonna take more time and it will probably be difficult, but I think, if we can get the right people in place, it will be a lot easier."

HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT DEBUTING AT MICHIGAN? "I think Michigan is probably the best track we could go to first. When we sat down and thought about the five races we wanted to run, Michigan is a track that I really enjoy. We've run pretty well there both times with the Busch car, and we've run pretty well at California. From the driver's standpoint, I don't think the track is real difficult. It's real big and wide, and the Roush cars usually run real well there, so I think that's a real good place to debut the DeWalt Taurus and try to get in the race."

Racing on the Web

■ It would be hard to give this award to anyone else but Larry McReynolds, who announced this week that he would stay on another three years as crew chief of the Lowe's Chevrolet team with driver Mike Skinner.



McReynolds

Trackside Trivia

- When Ned Jarrett's father did not want him to be a race driver, what assumed name did Jarrett use in early races?
- Who scored the fewest points in winning the Winston Cup championship?

1. John Lemm; 2. Alan Kulikovich, 4.078 in 1992.

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Social News



DELTA SIGMA THETA GLADES - Ended its 1999 year at the home of outgoing President Soror Mary L. Rainey. Ms. Rainey (right) with Denise Smith "Encourager" was recognized for her dedication, devotion and sisterly love.

Delta Sigma Theta, Inc.

The Glades Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. ended its 1999 year at the "beautiful" home of outgoing President Soror Mary L. Rainey on June 11. President Rainey served the sorors hot grits and fish as well as orange juice and coffee.

The sorors identified their secret sisters for the past year and exchanged final tokens of love to each other. Several sorors were recognized individually for their dedication, devotion and sisterly love and Godly spirit to others.

Soror Betty Evans page Denise Smith, was recognized as a sister who encouraging others to keep the faith in Jesus, endure and complete assigned tasks. Soror Lucille Fletcher, First Vice President was also recognized for her outstanding leadership ability, devotion and commitment to public service through Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. in the Glades Area.

The newly elected officers are: Lois Lewis, President; Earlene McLemore-1st Vice President; Ruby Rutledge-2nd Vice President; Sara Donaldson-Recording Secretary; Tina Jefferson-Correspondence Secretary; Bernito Derico-Financial Secretary; Cosha Jackson-Treasurer and Betty Evans Page-Reporter.

Other sorority members include: Daphne Adams, Mary F. Adams, Rita Adams, Cynthia Harrell Baker, Janice Bain, Esther Berry, Eddie Q. Blakely, Gloria A. Boldin, Patricia Canty, Alzora Chlouas, Irene Clay, Myrtle Coulon Poole, Cathy Davis, Clarissa Davis, Gail Davis, Sharon Dennard, Mary Foster, Rachael Glover, Annie P. Hill, LaTrece Hubbard, JoAnn Finney, Florida B. Johnson, Gwendolyn Johnson, Christina Kyles, Delores Mayes, Brenda McCall, Jeannette Keaton Plair, Eva Reese, Dorothy Rhodes, Mercedes Robinson, Johnette Thomas, Dorothy C. Veseen and Delores White.

Obituaries

Week of July 22,
1999

Freeman Charles (Buddy) Schoenfeld, 87, of Belle Glade passed away on Wednesday, July 14 at Glades General Hospital. Mr. Schoenfeld was born in Wichita, Kansas on Oct. 19, 1911. He moved from Irondale, Missouri, to Belle Glade in 1936 where he worked as Paymaster for Wedgworth's Inc. until his retirement in 1977.

Mr. Schoenfeld was a member of Community United Methodist Church in Belle Glade, member of the Okeechobee Masonic Lodge and past president and life member of the Belle Glade Lions Club. Survivors include his loving wife, Marie, of Belle Glade; son and daughter-in-law, William H. and Jane Schoenfeld of Belle Glade; daughter Rita Fay Schoenfeld of Belle Glade; six grandchildren, Darren Schoenfeld, Mark Schoenfeld, Tracy Schoenfeld, Tanya Schoenfeld, Brian Schoenfeld, Amber Schoenfeld and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday, July 17 at Community United Methodist Church in Belle Glade with Reverend David Day officiating. Entombment followed at Foreverglades Mausoleum in Belle Glade. Arrangements were by Glades Funeral Chapel in Belle Glade.

Arnold Marc Cetoute, 69, of Belle Glade passed away at Glades General Hospital on Thursday, July 15. Mr. Cetoute had lived in the area for 17 years coming from Haiti. He was a self employed general contractor.

Survivors include his wife Dorothy Davis Cetoute; son Arnold Cetoute Jr.; daughter Arnette Cetoute; son Claudiell Cetoute; son March Cetoute all of Belle Glade; son Antoine Cetoute of Deerfield Beach and daughter Mickkieria Davis of Belle Glade.

Funeral services were held Monday, July 26 at the First Church of God in Pompano Beach.

Military News

Gunnery Sergeant Donald E. Clark Jr. of the United States Marine Corps was recently awarded the Navy Marine Corps Commendation Medal. This medal was awarded for Superior Performance of duty while serving as the Non-commissioned officer in charge of the Marine Corps Recruiting Office in Las Vegas, NV, from Nov. 1966 to Dec. 1998.

Gunnery Sergeant Clark was given the award for demonstrating exceptional determination, tenacity and aggressive pursuit of excellence. He led his Marines to attain 548 new contracts for a superb 102 percent of mission. Significantly, 96 percent were high school graduates and 70 percent qualified in the upper mental group on the enlistment screening test.

This superb level of professional achievement reflected an unrelenting dedication to the quality enlistment standards established by the Commandant of the Marine Corps and resulted in the Recruiting Station being awarded the Commandant's Superior Achiever Award for 1998, 1997 and 1996.

Gunnery Sergeant Clark's outstanding professionalism, exceptional initiative and steadfast devotion to duty reflected great credit upon himself and were keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Marine Corps.

Gunnery Sergeant Clark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Clark of Belle Glade and a 1979 graduate of Glades Central High School.

Army National Guard Pvt. Juel S. Everett Jr. has entered the basic military training under the split-option program at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C. Upon graduating from basic training, the student will be a member of the Army National Guard or Reserve.

The program allows students between their junior and senior year of high school to attend National Guard or Reserve weekend drills while still in school and pursue a military career specialty after they graduate from high school.

During training, the recruit will receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid and Army history, values and traditions.

Everett is the son of Juel S. and Robbie M. Everett of Pahokee. He is currently attending Alexander W. Dreyfoos Jr. School of the Arts in West Palm Beach.

Jerry Barnard to be at Christain Retreat

Pastor and evangelist Jerry Barnard will be ministering at Christian Retreat on Sunday, August 1.

His anointed singing as well as his power packed preaching blesses people whenever he

ministers. His service will be held at 8:30 a.m. and again at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

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AND THE ANSWER IS! - The Belle Glade Branch Library hosted a game of Library Jeopardy on Thursday, July 22. Participants chose from categories in five different academic fields. Everyone received their choice of a gift check or savings bond and winning teams were awarded trophies. The program was sponsored by a grant from the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation which promotes the work of writer and illustrator, Ezra Jack Keats.

Participants were: Front L-R: Miguel Velasco, Vintavious Jones, Jemarian Brown, Shalanda O'Neal and Keren Rodriguez. Back L-R: Vintrell Jones, Brian Minney, Reginald Miller Jr. and Tenika Bloomfield.

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Okeechobee "Horse Whisperer" has spent over 30 years learning about horses

By Katrina Elksen

Contributing Editor

When people call Dewaine Hazellief a "horse whisperer," he isn't sure how to respond. He hasn't seen the movie starring Robert Redford. He never read the Nicolas Evans' book.

He has, however, spent many of his 44 years learning about and training horses. He started breaking horses at age 13.

Currently, he only trains horses for himself and his family. But he spent ten years as a horse trainer, working with hundreds of horses from all over the state as well as some from as far away as Alabama.

Mr. Hazellief demonstrated this ability recently in Okeechobee's Flagler Park, when he put Blue, a Cracker Horse, through his paces for an appreciative crowd. The little horse circled, backed, turned left and right according to his rider's commands. Then Mr. Hazellief removed the horse's bridle and put the steed through the same routine again, flawlessly.

The trick, he explained, is to learn how to communicate with the horse.

Horses are born knowing how to eat, drink, sleep and run from predators, he said. If a predator catches him, a horse has the instinct to do whatever he can to fight him off.

Everything else they must learn.

Too often, well meaning owners teach horses bad habits, he explained.

"What a lot of people don't realize, if you do anything with a horse, you are training that horse," he said. "If I walk out there every morning at 5 o'clock with a bucket of feed and dump it and walk off and he comes and eats, I am training him to come at that time of day and eat. That's where people run into problems with their horses. They teach them bad habits — not realizing what they're doing."

"If I'm going down the road and I'm in a hurry and I strike a rope to get back to the barn, if I do that two or three times, he's going to want to run back to the barn every time."

"Eventually if he goes out there today and he doesn't want to work, he's jittery, and wants to crow hop if I say it's too aggravating, I'll work with him tomorrow then I've taught



Dewaine Hazellief says the trick to training horses is learning to communicate with the animal.

him to do that to get out of going.

"When I start with a colt, if I'm tied up and I have to be somewhere at a certain time, then I don't fool with that colt. When I go out there to work with him, I've got to be whole day to spend with the horse. Very seldom do I have to spend the whole day, but I want to allow myself that time in case I need it."

"If I go out there and we're going around and round and he's not it in two hours and I quit, then he's learned that he just has to stay consistent with what he's doing and he won't have to do what I want."

"That's what happens. People teach the horses bad habits. The sad thing is people don't realize it and we're supposed to be smarter than they are."

Most of the horses Mr. Hazellief trained had already learned bad habits from their owners. That never happened to Blue.

Mr. Hazellief was the first

person to work with and ride him. The challenge in this case, he explained, was that the horse ran wild for the first 18 months of its life.

He said his father was interested in Cracker horses, the breed descended from horses abandoned in Florida by the Spaniards. The little horses are well-adapted to the Florida climate and were an important part of the early cattle industry. But over the years as the state was pioneered and land cleared, the little horses who could maneuver through brush so efficiently lost popularity.

A few people who were interested in history and in the hardy breed kept their own herds of Cracker horses, Mr. Hazellief explained.

"Blue came from the Ayers herd out of Brookfield," he said. Mr. Hazellief said his father wanted to prove that a Cracker horse could be trained to do anything any other horse could do so he asked him to take on

the challenge.

"He was a year and a half and never had a hand laid on him," Mr. Hazellief said. He pointed out small scars that run along the stallion's back and legs.

"The stud horses in that band of mares whipped him and run him off from the mares," he said. This is normal among wild horses. The stallions run young males off from the herd. The young males then live alone. When they're older, these horses may come back and fight the stallion for control of the band of horses.

When the Hazelliefs captured Blue, he was no longer with the herd.

"There was about 500 acres and there wasn't nothing in there but briars and stuff off the trees to eat," he said.

"It was kind of funny, he'd see us and get a real thick place and hide from you. Every now and then he'd be peeking out at you," he said.

"It took us a while. We went round and round. We lost him for about two hours because he hid so good."

Daddy got a rope on him. We drove him down a fence line. I got on the side of him and we kept him on that fence line.

We got him in cow pens, took the rope off of him and brought him into the arena.

"He didn't know how to drink water out of a bucket. He would barely drink any water. He wouldn't eat feed. 'All I could get him to eat was hay for about a month."

"Then I went to training on him. He's made quite a fine little horse," he said.

"I do all this in steps. When I hold the reins to turn right, my hands are always in one position. He knows to turn that way, if my hands are in that position. He has other clues too. He can feel my body, shift my weight. I can mash my leg on one side and he moves away from it. They've got to have some signal," he said.

The little horse is 14 and a half hands high and weighs 880 pounds. He's pretty good sized for a Cracker horse, Mr. Hazellief said. Most Cracker horses are smaller.

"In Ocala, they had a big horse show. They had 49 different breeds of horses there. During that breed, when one breed would come in as they come

around the arena they give the history of the breed and then they give a little bit about each individual horse. It's funny because all the deadlines were over and those people worked with us. There was only four cracker horses there," he said.

He said he told the show organizers what he could do on his Cracker horse.

"It wasn't planned, but they allowed it because they just wanted to see it. After they did the history, they put him last because they wanted to see it they had heard so much about it."

After they gave the speech, I went up there. Daddy brought a chair into the arena. Blue came up in the arena. I got up on the chair and got on him. At first people didn't realize what he was doing. When they saw him come running, they started clapping and all. I just reached up and pulled the bridle off him. The bridle reins was on his neck, and it was scaring him, so I told a fellow to snatch it off, then I whirled him just let him run. I made a lap of the arena and went to the left, then came back and made a circle to the right then came to the center and set him down, then run him backwards and spun him both ways and then people went crazy," he recalled.

Blue had his own cheering section after that, he said.

Mr. Hazellief said his way of training horses was developed over the years, based on what he has learned from other horse trainers and his own experience.

"I spend a lot of time on the ground and in the round pen with the horse," he said.

"You just put him in the round pen to start with and you just kind of run him around and around. Then you step in front him. You start teaching him to be controlled right there."

"I have studied a lot of top trainers in the nation," he said.

Training a horse is like building a house, he said. "You start with the foundation and build on that."

"The funny thing is, I knew you had to ride a horse without a bridle, before they started coming out and doing it. Daddy had a horse he could ride without a bridle."

"Me and Daddy don't agree

on a whole lot of things cause he grew up with the old school where if a horse wouldn't do something, you'd just beat and frum on him until he did do it."

"I use a method, where I go at it from the angle it's up to him. I will use whatever it takes, but it's up to the horse as to how much force I will use."

"I don't hurt him, but I try to make him uncomfortable," he explained.

"For example, if a horse doesn't want to come when I have him in that round pen, which none of them want to do to begin with, if you run him around long enough, he gets tired. Then he starts trying to figure what you want him to do," he continued.

"When he does what I want, then I let him rest," he said.

He said he tries to give the horse a negative association with unwanted behavior and a positive association with desired behavior.

"A barn sour horse, take one of them for instance, a horse that don't want to leave the barn. I put a halter on him and tie his head up to that rafters, with his head up high. Then I leave him stand there for about an hour with his head up high. Then I come back and try to ride him. If he still wants to go in the barn, then I tie him up again. Pretty soon he figures out that every time he tries to go in that barn, he winds up where it's uncomfortable," he said.

"I've watched cowboys spur and gouge their horse, trying to make them turn. What I have against that method is the horse resents every bit of it. Those horses are a nervous wreck because they don't know what's coming at the next."

"I want to make things as pleasurable for my horse as I can, so he won't resent doing it for me. That's the whole approach of the horse whisperer right there. A lot of people call it resistance-free training. There really is no resistance-free, but you can minimize it."

"A horse is going to rebel sometimes just like a kid. If you make that kid go stand in the corner, he's going to think about 'do I want to do what Mommy said?'"

It was going to be such a great day...until

It was going to be a great day. That was the thought running through his head as he climbed aboard a C-130 airplane at Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi, Mississippi.

The huge plane and its relatively small crew (there were only 8 of us on board) were headed to the Caribbean Sea. The mission: provide the National Hurricane Center with the latest information on a weak tropical storm.

Airplanes have been flying into tropical systems, on purpose, for over 40 years. The Hurricane Hunters, as they are called, provide forecasters at the National Hurricane Center with first-hand information on a tropical storm or hurricane. It's data that helps the forecasters determine where the storm might be headed next. For me, the flight into the tropical system was a dream come true.

It was something I had wanted to do for years. Today was finally my chance. Yes, it was going to be a great day.

Until I made one tiny little mistake.

It was a long flight from Mississippi to the eastern edge of the Caribbean Sea. I was hungry. The Air Force was kind enough to provide all of us with a boxed lunch, which I consumed rather quickly. In retrospect, I did think it was odd that I was the only one eating. You can probably guess what



Mike Lyons

happened. As our plane flew through the tropical storm, the ride got progressively rockier, turning the contents of my stomach into a mini roller coaster. I turned green, in fact, very close to the shade of the flight suit the Air Force had loaned me.

It was going to be such a great day.

In September of last year, another C-130, loaded with high-tech equipment from the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder, Colorado, along with a crew of 10 (who I hoped had learned from my mistake) embarked on another mission.

Yet, this plane was not going to fly through a hurricane, it was headed for forest fires in the western United States. The goal was to learn how wildfires create their own weather and to improve the computer models that predict the behavior of wildfires.

Each year in the United States, wildfires destroy millions of acres of wilderness and

inhabited land. Last year in Florida alone, fire scorched half a million acres and forced over 100,000 people from their homes.

Yet, these fires do more than just burn. In some cases, fire creates weather. During 1998's Florida fires, for example, a wildfire that grew from 500 acres to 5,000 acres in one afternoon created such a strong thunderstorm that wind damage was significant.

Scientists say large fires create their own clouds-called "pyro-cumulus." Sometimes these clouds evolve into powerful thunderstorms producing gusty winds and hail. Even small tornadoes, called "fire devils," have been observed in especially intense wildfires.

It will take some time for researchers to analyze the information gathered from last year's C-130 missions. Yet, already scientists aboard last year's flights had any stomach problems. Perhaps they heard about the weather guy with the large appetite.

It was going to be such a great day.

(Mike Lyons is the chief weather forecaster for WFPB-TV)

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scheduled for young girls during the 1999-2000 school year and parent participation is highly encouraged.

Recommendations will be accepted from parents, teachers, community leaders, neighbors or church members.

Please contact the following G.E.L. members by July 30: Carolyn Brown, 924-2768; Myrtice Cade, at 924-2988; Brenda Smith, 996-3806; Alma Henry-Mormon, 996-2555.

Mark your calendars
The 1999-2000 school year will begin on Monday, August 16 and continue through May 26, 2000.

Parents should have their child's shot records and school supplies by the school start date. Principals say it is very important that all students attend school the first day. Most schools will begin registration

on or before July 26, 1999.

Parents should be aware of dress codes
Lake Shore Middle School parents should be aware that the school will be having a uniform-dress code this upcoming school year.

For the convenience of parents and guardians, Beall's Department Store will be offering the uniforms for sale at a reasonable price on August 13 from 9 a.m. to noon in the school's media center.

Pastor's wives photos accepted at next SHIP meeting

SHIP (Senior HIV Intervention Project), with the support of the Tri-City mayors, urges pastors and spouses or representatives of all tri-city churches to attend a meeting Aug. 12 in which pastor's wives can submit a portrait to be used in Healthy Woman Magazine. Registration for the SHIP Spirit 2000 Conference will also be taken at this meeting. The conference will be held at the Drawbridge Cafe on Sept. 18. A New Millennium Commemorative Calendar will feature

the pastors who are participating in the conference. For more information contact Ms. Schaffer at 954-467-4747.

Free and reduced meals for children

The East Coast Migrant Head Start Project offers free or reduced lunches to children in four of their centers located in the Glades.

The program is offered through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's "Child and Adult Care Food Program" and is available at: The Early Head Start Center and the O'Brien Center on 18th Street, Belle Glade; the Shannon Center on Duda Road, Belle Glade; and at the South Bay Center on US 27.

For more information contact the individual centers.

Story hours

The Belle Glade, Pahokee and South Bay Branch libraries offer story times for children of all ages. The sessions include stories, puppets and more.

Pre-registration is required so parents should call the individual library to register their child.

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"They're doing tests." The tone of Bud's voice implied that this was all he would say at this point in time. Diane sat back in the chair and waited.

A nurse came in and placed an IV catheter in Bud's arm. Bud offered no resistance. A clear fluid dripped into the vein.

It was 45 minutes before Cortez returned to the room. Nodding at Diane, she turned right to Bud.

"Bud, the lab tests show that you have a condition we call pancreatitis. It's an inflammation of the pancreas gland in the back of your belly. It can be caused by lots of things, but it's usually from alcohol or from gall stones."

Diane spoke for Bud. "What do we have to do about it? Can it be cured?"

"Sometimes there can be complications like bleeding from pancreatitis, but Bud seems to be pretty stable at this time. He'll need to stay in the hospital for treatment. And, we'll need to do some more tests to determine just what caused this episode."

MURDER/rom Pg. 1

teered to escort inmate James O'Brien to a doctor's office near Good Samaritan Hospital in West Palm Beach.

Valdes, who served time with O'Brien, shot Griffiths in the doctor's office parking lot after Griffiths refused to surrender keys to a van holding O'Brien.

Valdes had been fighting for many years to try to overturn his conviction. He began representing himself after convincing Palm Beach County Judge Walter Colbach he was competent.

Valdes was considered extremely dangerous by the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office. His hearings were held at the

Bud nodded his head. He sure didn't feel like arguing about any of this.

After more papers were signed, Bud and Diane were informed that Bud's room upstairs would not be ready for about an hour.

Diane squeezed his hand and said good-bye. "I'll see you in the morning." She just couldn't help seeing the old rocking lady, now sitting alone at the end of the row. Diane approached.

"Ma'am?"

"I'm just waiting on my husband." She looked down to the floor, and a tear dropped onto her shoe.

As Diane reached out toward the old woman, nurse Bill tapped her shoulder and motioned with his head.

Several feet away now, he whispered to Diane, "She has Alzheimer's. Her husband died here this morning, and I'm keeping an eye on her until their daughter gets here."

Diane returned to the old lady's side. She sat and held her trembling hand as the old lady rocked back and forth. Another tear dropped from her wrinkled cheek.

tightly-guarded courtrooms next to the county jail on Gun Club Road rather than the downtown courthouse.

In one incident, he became violent and lunged at the judge during a court appearance and had to be restrained by officers.

Earlier this year, the Florida Supreme Court rejected his appeal for his freedom and he was being held on death row until his execution.

The nine guards on suspension pending the outcome of the investigation are, Capt. T. Thornton, sergeants M. Lucas, C. Brown, A. Lewis, J.P. Griffiths, R. Sauls and officers D. Beck, D. Stanford and R. Hanson.

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She knew. The old lady knew what was going on. She rocked.

Diane couldn't leave.

The pancreas gland, located near the back of the abdomen, is involved in the digestive process and in the production of insulin.

Acute pancreatitis is most commonly caused by gall stones or by ingestion of alcohol, but can also be caused by dozens of less common factors, including infections, ulcers, drug ingestion, liver disease, and trauma.

The most common symptoms are abdominal pain, nausea, and vomiting. In severe cases, hemorrhage, shock, or even death may occur.

Treatment of pancreatitis involves the provision of IV fluids, medications for the symptoms of pain and nausea, and treatment of the underlying cause of the disease.

DR. Stauffer, an emergency physician in New Smyrna Beach, is a member of the Florida College of Emergency Physicians.

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